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3'-gallate and Theaflavin-3,3'-digallate and Mixtures Thereof

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 20, 2004.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of Group III, claims 15-17, 28, 29, 35, 38, 58, 59, 61, and 62, without traverse. Applicants expressly reserve their right under 35 USC §121 to file one or more divisional applications directed to the nonelected subject matter during the pendency of this application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16, 1.17, and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-3117.

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